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Future Seniors Await Ring Day

Monsignor Joseph Egan will preside at the Ring Day ceremony for the class of '63 on June 25, in Saint Brendan's Church at one P.M.

During the ceremony, the rings will be blessed and distributed to the Junior Class.

The symbolism of the senior rings is expressed in the ring prayer, "Lord, grant that these rings may remind us of the responsibility we owe to the school whose insignia is impressed upon them, and may their circular character keep ever present in our minds the endlessness of God's love and concern with our every endeavor."

Those Juniors who have passed all subjects in compliance with Sister John Berchmans' regulation will receive their rings. Otherwise, they will be presented with them in September.

All parents and underclassmen are invited to attend this ceremony which will end Saint Brendan's social year.



New Student Council officers pose after election: Katherine Berry, Treasurer; Donna Gangi, President; Theresa Sparaco, Vice-President, and Mary Alice Perrotta, Secretary.

Students Elect Officers; Donna Gangi - President

Donna Gangi (203) won the election for President of the Student Council on May 22, after a vigorous and close campaign. Theresa Sparaco (202) was chosen Vice-President; Mary Alice Perrotta (402), Secretary; and Katherine Berry (303), Treasurer.

A new method of nominating and voting for the candidates was innovated in this election. A list of all Juniors who had attained an

average of at least eighty-five percent on the January exams was sent to the faculty for screening and approval. Every Junior, using this list as a guide, then nominated the eight candidates for office she considered best qualified. After the ballots were tallied, the girls who had received the largest amount of nominations were candidates for office through school-wide elections. On May 19 and 22, these candidates introduced themselves to the student body and actively campaigned for office.

Forensic League Debates At Nationals in Florida

A DC 7 flight on Wednesday, May 30, brought Pat Asaro, Pat Fennimore, Eileen Parchment, Forensic Coach John Sexton, Sister Joseph Mary, and Sister Maria Dolorosa to Miami, Florida for the annual National Forensic Tournament sponsored by the National Catholic Forensic League. On Friday morning the debates began. Pat Asaro and Pat Fennimore debated alternately, affirmatively and negatively, on Federal Aid to Education. After two morning and one afternoon rounds, the team was eliminated. Eileen Parchment spoke extemporaneously on current events for three rounds. About 150 schools from all parts of the United States participated.

When the girls weren't preparing for the tournament they enjoyed swimming and shuffleboard offered by the Hotel Americana, where they stayed. At 11:30, on Saturday night, the group arrived back in New York.

At the Brooklyn and Queens Grand Forensic Tournament on April 6, Pat Asaro and Pat Fennimore had placed second to Xavierian out of a field of eighteen, thus qualifying for the Nationals. Virginia Smith received a second place trophy in oratory.

Sharon Dennihy and Winifred Kender were awarded first place among twenty-five teams at Providence, Rhode Island on April 6. Winifred received a best speaker trophy. Mary Beth Tucker and Paulann Pierson received top rating. A newsreel of the debate will be sent to the school.

The Florida Nationals culminated the activities of a very successful year for our Forensic League.



Brendy's Debs, Veronica Mauro, Diane Russell, Marita Hornly, Theresa Suppa, Anne Mitchell, Evelyn Malfatone, Dorothy Franco, and Georgine Reed model afternoon fashions.

Brendy's Debs Model New Fashions At Annual Spring Fashion Show

The Seventh Annual Fashion Show was presented at St. Thomas Aquinas Auditorium on May 9. Modeled by members of Brendy's Debs, up-to-date spring fashions were shown at both afternoon and evening performances.

Mrs. Teresa Mauro, fashion coordinator, selected clothes which included casual styles, afternoon dresses, and evening wear. Simplicity and beauty of design were the keynotes of the show.

Marella Archipoli delivered a brief introductory speech, the theme of which was Christian loveliness through inner beauty. She saw the new styles as complimentary to the beauty that shines forth from true Catholic girls. While presenting the models, she detailed the style and appropriateness of each costume.

Twenty-six members of the Senior, and Sophomore members of Brendy's Debs were chosen as models and thirteen as hostesses. A special choral group was featured as part of the evening's entertainment. They sang such adapted tunes as "Younger Than Springtime" and "Young at Heart."

Leslie Souky and Kathy Darey, President and Vice-President of Brendy's Debs, and Judy Lo Monaco, climaxed the evening's presentation with the traditional bridal ensemble.

After a review of the fashions, the members joined in a dedication to Mary and sang the Ave Maria.

Msgr. Molloy Addresses Seniors at Graduation

At 9 A.M., Saturday, June 23, the Class of 1962 will begin their graduation ceremonies by offering a Solemn High Mass of Thanksgiving in St. Brendan's Church. Immediately afterwards, a Communion Breakfast, in their honor, will be catered in the gym.

The following day, Sunday afternoon, at 3 P.M., the two hundred six seniors, dressed in traditional caps and gowns, will march back into Church for the commencement exercises. Leo Honor members will be recognized by gold tassels; Student Councillors, by dark blue tassels.

Seniors Bid Adieu At Farewell Dance

Msgr. Joseph Egan will preside, presenting diplomas and distributing Diocesan medals. The Bishop's Award for General Excellence will be given to the girl who was scholastically superior throughout her four years. In addition, two outstanding seniors will receive the St. John's Scholarship and the Generosa Pope Scholarship.

The commencement address will be given by the Very Rev. Msgr. Eugene J. Molloy, associate superintendent of schools.

Gayly colored to reflect the mood of the medieval ages in the era of King Arthur's Court, the gym, on May 26th, was the center of the fun and antics shared at the Farewell Dance. Music, provided by Doc Anastasio and his band, filled the room with various lively tempos. Junior members of the Social Club, having previously decorated the gym, acted as hostesses for the night. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of Virginia Smith as queen of the Court and her escort, Michael Dowd, as king. The delightful evening ended with the singing of parodies composed by the senior classes.

New Green Plaid Uniforms For Entire Student Body

Bishop McEntegart has announced that beginning with the Fall semester all Diocesan High School students will wear uniforms. Each school had the opportunity to choose a different color plaid but all will share a common style with individual school variations.

The uniform for St. Brendan's Diocesan High School consists of a dark green plaid, knife-pleated wool skirt, long-sleeved white blouse and green weskit. All skirts must be worn below the knees, and blouses must be tucked inside the waistband. Black stacked heel shoes and flesh-toned stockings must be worn every day. Black velvet berets and short, white gloves complete the attire. In cold and inclement weather, woolen socks and boots may be worn to and from school.

Hair should be worn short and neat in a style becoming to a student. Make-up is a privilege usually accorded only to the Senior class.

All students attending St. Brendan's Diocesan High School in September, 1962, will be required to comply with these regulations.



Preview of next year's uniform.

Future Nurses Elect New Officers; Secure Charter From National FNA

In order to acquaint students interested in nursing with the different opportunities available in the field, a Future Nurses of America Club has been organized in St. Brendan's High School. Girls from the four years were invited to join and, to date, there is a membership of approximately forty.

Carefully supervised by the moderator—Sister Catherine Alonzo—and the officers—Patricia Quigney, President; Jeanette Martorano, Vice-President; Barbara Frein, Secretary; and Eileen Kennedy, Treasurer—the members meet every Friday afternoon. At these meetings information about the various Schools of Nursing and the qualifications required by each is made available to the members.

News Briefs

Sr. Mary Emiliana has received a grant for summer science courses at Notre Dame.

Sr. James Immaculate will attend a Latin workshop at Saint John's University.

Sr. Cecilia Madeline will take advanced mathematics courses at the University of Maine.

Sr. Frances Patrice will accept a grant to Seton Hill, Pennsylvania, for courses in math.

Although the club is still in its infancy, the tedious job of organization is almost completed. A charter has been granted to the St. Brendan's Chapter by the National Future Nurses of America Club.

Spotlight on:

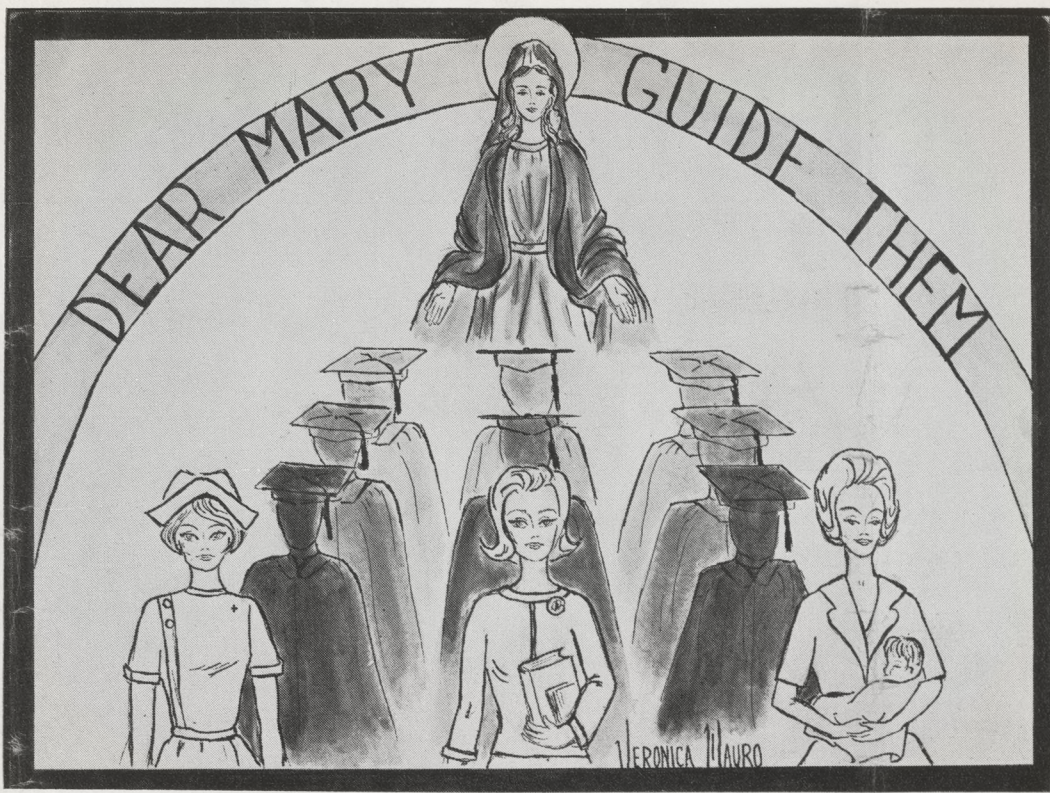
JOAN DENNIHY

If one day you should happen to see a little cherub's face peep out from some corner and ask to use the mimeograph machine, don't worry. You haven't "died and gone to heaven," you've just met Joan Dennihy.

To the girls of 203 Joanie is a mother hen, always coming up with a level-headed solution. She has proved her capabilities with records by being elected class secretary for three consecutive years. Last year Joan was kept quite busy as treasurer of the Forensic League, a violinist in the school orchestra, and a member of the Mission Club. In spite of all this, Joan still found time to be treasurer of her parish Blessed Virgin Sodality and gave sixth, seventh, and eighth year math and English lessons to neighborhood children.

This year Joanie is active as the secretary of her Sodality and is candidate for the presidency. She has now moved up to secretary of Forensic, and helped to win a second place team trophy in the State Championship at Albany. One would think that she would be satisfied with all this, but she still looks for more work. Herself a member of the Scholarship Class, Joanie is always mimeographing notes for those Juniors who wish to share in extra scholarship work though they are not in the class.

Joanie is ever ready to lend a helping hand to anyone who might need it. And although many people sing, "Thank Heaven for Little Girls," many more people find themselves sighing, "Thank heaven for Joan Dennihy."



Our Own Little Tragedy

The United States has had its share of air tragedies during the past few years. As recently as June 3, one hundred twenty-five Americans perished in a plane crash at Orly Airport in Paris. Yes, the newspapers abound with the tragic details of one air disaster after another. In the midst of our sorrow at such unexpected national tragedies, we as students at St. Brendan's may tend to minimize or possibly overlook our own little tragedy—the fire which made parts of St. Brendan's convent uninhabitable.

What has the fire meant to us as students? Specifically it has meant no more assemblies, no more evening dances, no more special performances in the auditorium for the remainder of this semester. These sound like grave consequences until we contrast them with the inconveniences that the faculty now must suffer. For at least two weeks after the fire the faculty was industriously cleaning and salvaging what remained

of their convent. This in itself was an exhausting task. Because the convent kitchen and dining room were badly damaged the sisters had to renovate the school auditorium into a combination dining-community room. Twenty of the faculty members now call the Kingsway Hospital their temporary home. Travel between the hospital and the church and school each morning and evening consumes more precious minutes in already crowded schedules. When we consider that the community life of our teachers has been disrupted and that many sisters no longer live in their own home, the convent, then we will realize the disastrous consequences of our own little tragedy.

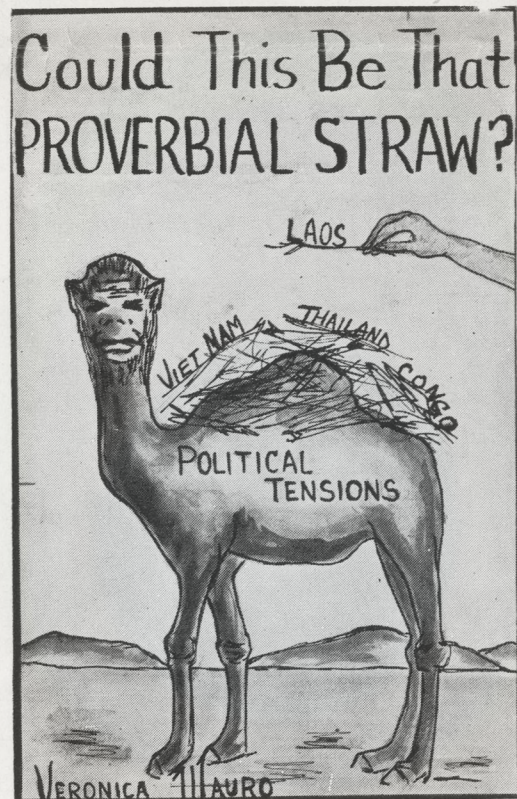
However, we must not dwell on past misfortunes; rather we should anticipate a better future. Let us hope that September will find our faculty safe within the confines of a newly renovated St. Brendan's Convent.

How to Bake A Saint

Have you ever failed miserably in the magic art of cooking? If so, why not try this simple recipe. I promise you success beyond your greatest hope. The Master Chef, He who changed water to wine, multiplied loaves and fishes, and transforms bread into His own Divine Body, has been my Instructor.

Place one peace-loving, God-fearing soul into a large bowl and stir until human; gradually add charity, humility, and joy, mixing after each edition. Sift the sacraments, good works, and sacrifice, little by little, into the soul-and-virtue mixture. Stir in, thinning from time to time with the living water, Sanctifying Grace. When all the ingredients are blended, pour the mixture into a religious teenage life. Bake in oven, warm with love of God and neighbor, 35 to 45 years. To test if done: Insert a temptation or time of crisis. If the soul overcomes this situation, your saint is finished baking.

This recipe, complete with the mentioned ingredients, will nourish all who taste and see that the Lord is sweet.



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The Last Page

A cool breeze refreshed me as I couched beneath the shade of a tall, impressive oak. The tree seemed so inviting; it provided an atmosphere which matched my mood—an atmosphere conducive to quiet thought. That afternoon I had an irresistible desire to be alone, to sort out the confused thoughts which were racing through my mind. For the past few weeks I had been in a state of hysteria, doing last minute shopping and cramming for the Regents. All this hectic preparation was directed toward one end, the inevitable "fini" in the life of a senior—graduation. Now I jumped at the opportunity to be alone with my thoughts.

Before leaving home I had picked up my diary, hoping to pour out my heart in its treasured pages. Now I sat in the shady seclusion of the tree and quietly opened the cover. The first entry was dated June 26, 1959. It was my birthday. It read, "Well, kid, you're fifteen years old and you've just completed your first year at St. Brendan's. Dissected frogs are continually haunting your dreams. I wonder why! Do you remember those tragic mornings when you confidently entered the bus loaded with books only to have the whole stack tumble to the floor?" And so it continued until I reached the last line, "Well, you're no longer a clumsy freshman; you've now become a silly sophomore."

Paging through the entries in sophomore year was sheer delight and every so often I would break into a grin. This passage illustrated the new me, "Did you ever feel confused, rejected, downtrodden? Well, I do. My geometry teacher talks in circles and my Latin teacher in Caesars. Otherwise, I am quite the normal sophomore—alert and inquisitive but always boisterous."

Perhaps the most drastic change I had to make during my high school career was the transition from silly sophomore to jolly junior. I kept thinking this while flipping to the junior section of the diary. Suddenly my eye caught this entry, "I've finally begun to settle down. My marks are getting higher, but I have an ulterior motive for studying harder—I want so much to get my ring this June." At that moment I closed the diary and tried to gather my thoughts. I was a little hesitant about reliving the memories of senior year, and perhaps because I knew they would draw me closer to the present. Finally, I summoned enough courage to reopen my diary.

As I turned the page, a rose petal met my eyes. Then for one ecstatic moment I was whirling about in white silk organza, thrilling to the romantic music of a twelve-piece band

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Interviewing:

TSUNG LUNG KUO

I was a little apprehensive about meeting Mr. Tsung Lung Kuo. I thought that he would speak broken English and wear oriental dress. I braced myself for a shock as I entered the living room at home, and I was really a little startled to find our guest looking like an American businessman and speaking excellent English. He was of medium height and build. You could tell by his conversation that each word he said was carefully chosen in the manner of a true diplomat.

Mr. Kuo told me that he had come to the United States in 1954 and after receiving a Masters Degree from the University of Pennsylvania, had joined the staff of the UN Secretariat as a Social Affairs Officer in the Department of Trusteeship and Information for non self-governing territories. Presently, he is also serving on the Special Committee of Seventeen. This committee concerns the granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples. The majority of Mr. Kuo's work is concerned with researching territorial problems under the jurisdiction of the Trusteeship Council.

During part of the years 1959 to 1961, Mr. Kuo served as an observer on the UN Commission for the supervision of the plebiscite in the Northern Cameroons. He describes that land as being of two extremes—either low altitude plains or high mountainous regions. The population is of widely diversified composition and the religious tenets of the people include belief in Supreme Being (the clan is the chief social division and ancestor worship.)

Mr. Kuo's assignment was to talk to the people in every walk of life. He found the African women shy and quiet and unwilling to participate in discussion. The people and even the majority of their leaders are almost completely uneducated. Very few can read and write. However, these African people have tremendous political potential. Mr. Kuo placed particular emphasis upon "the preservation and extension of the American democratic way of life in a peaceful world."

To potential diplomats, Mr. Kuo offers this advice: The most important requirement for a political career is the ability to reason and understand thoroughly and comprehensively.



Mr. Kuo

Senior Memories



Seniors Anne Wennerholm, Judy Porto, Rosemary Massei, Paulann Pierson, and Bernadette DiGiovanni enjoy an enchanted evening at the Waldorf-Astoria with their escorts John O'Connor, John Monte, Mike Barletta, Wally Cross, and Frank Fragapane.



One of the highlights of the annual Washington trip is exploring the Capitol building, the official home of Congress.



The cheerleaders, lead by T. C. Clapp, give a rousing cheer to their co-moderators, Sister Agnes Rosaire and Sister Myra Paul, as enthusiastic spectators smile their approval.



Miss Brendy—1962—Rosemary Massei



Co-captains of the varsity, Angie Montevago and Jeannie Curley, fondle their mascot at the last game of the season.



Rosemary Cannella, Cathy Harper, and Johanna Donnoio (top row) and Sandy McHale, Terry Cuomo, Kathy LeDonni, and Peggy Rohner (bottom row) enjoy their favorite pastime—sippin' cider through a straw.



Catherine Oxtan and Madeline Martino exchange smiles, remembering that they must observe silence during meals at Villa Maria Retreat House in North Stamford, Connecticut.

Additional Scholarships Awarded to Many Seniors

In addition to the record high of thirty-three scholarships originally awarded by New York State to St. Brendan's girls, the seniors have merited many other academic honors.

Patricia Asaro—partial scholarship to Marymount Manhattan College, and finalist for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship.

Carolann Bardi—partial scholarship to Marymount Manhattan College and partial scholarship to Notre Dame College of Staten Island.

Elizabeth Buti—partial scholarship to Long Island University.

Patricia Culbert—three year Regents Nursing Scholarship.

Margaret Curley—three year Regents Nursing Scholarship.

Mary Dowling—\$5000 scholarship to Long Island University.

Mary Lou Fecci—four year Regents College Scholarship.

Jacqueline Fossa—full scholarship to Seton Hill College.

Nancy Illich—Local 807 scholarship, full scholarship to Syracuse University, and finalist for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship.

Catherine LeDonni—partial scholarship to St. Joseph's College for Women.

Virginia Lee—partial scholarship to Notre Dame College of Staten Island.

Evelyn Martin—\$5000 scholarship to Long Island University.

Jean McEnroe—three year Regents Nursing Scholarship.

Mary McManus—three years Regents Nursing Scholarship.

Ann O'Malley—three year Regents Nursing Scholarship.

Barbara Pearson—partial scholarship to Marymount Manhattan College, \$500 scholarship from the Leopold Schepp Foundation, and a Thom McAn Leadership Award.

Paulann Pierson—partial scholarship to Marymount Manhattan College.

Janice Pollicino—partial scholarship to Mary Byers Secretarial School.

Virginia Smith—partial scholarship to Marymount Manhattan College.

Mildred Tria—three year Regents Nursing Scholarship.

and sorrows as true friends will. But now we must say goodbye, many of us for the last time. Yet in the midst of our sorrows at leaving each other there will be one consoling thought—that we will always remember one another as we were that last day, Graduation Day."

Asaro Merits Medal For Science Exhibit

At the 1962 Catholic Diocesan Science Fair, Pat Asaro placed second among senior girls' entrees from Kings County and Queens. Her project, "Topology—the mathematics that tells you what is possible," was displayed at the St. John's University Jamaica campus.

Patricia and the other winners at the St. Brendan's Fair, submitted their entrees and received certificates of participation. Senior Genevieve Zeh prepared a "Conductivity Spy" for testing various liquids. "Nylon Production" was demonstrated by Junior Linda Volpe. Sophomores Nancy Herzman and Winnie Kender demonstrated the effect of light rays of various colors upon plant growth.

Barbara Berg, Eileen Matthews, Dorothy MacDonald, Eileen McNamara and Peggy Tiernan submitted freshmen projects.

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—reliving my Prom. Finally, the chirping of a bird brought me back to reality. I continued to page through many memory-filled events until I came upon an interesting statement. During a very hectic week I had written, "At last I have mastered the art of bilocation. I need no longer worry about attending two meetings at once. I can simply attend one meeting and send someone in my place to the other." Here the writing ended. Once more I flipped the page, but this time my eyes met only blank white space. Oh, there was so much I wanted to say; there was so much I felt but could not express. At last I made a feeble attempt to put my thoughts into words.

"This is the last page of my diary. It is also the last page in my high school career. Tomorrow I will graduate from St. Brendan's, leaving behind me some of the most cherished memories of my life."

"These four years have been unforgettable. During this time my classmates and I have shared all our joys

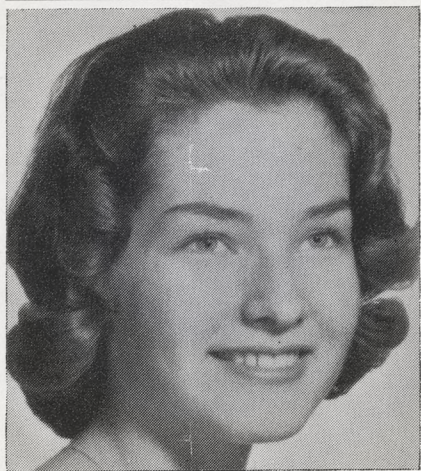
Spotlight on:

Barbara Pearson

STELLA's success throughout the year can be attributed in a great part to the leadership of our sparkling editor, Barbara Pearson. Efficient and unassuming Barbara has safely steered us through the turbulent sea of headlines and deadlines. But her talents are not limited to journalistic pursuits.

Recognized for her oratorical ability, Barbara has merited two awards in the field of public speaking, one a Catholic Forensic League second place trophy in Original Oratory, the other, second place in the Knights of Columbus Oratorical Contest. Departing from the realm of speech-making we quickly come upon another of Barbara's talents, this time in the area of music. She has proven her efficiency as both a singer and a pianist. But despite her busy schedule, Barbara still maintains a high level of academic achievement. She has been a member of the Leo Honor Society since her Junior Year and this year has received several scholastic awards.

With her classmates Barbara has been a favorite. Her effervescent personality and warm smile have charmed her fellow students for four years. We are sure her sense of humor and winning ways will make her a favorite at Marymount, too.



Gail Jensen (second from left), Anne Wennerholm (fourth from left) and Mary Barry (second from right) accept American Legion scholarships from Mrs. Kennedy.

Brendanites Win Awards From American Legion

Seniors Mary Barry, Gail Jensen, and Anne Wennerholm have been awarded nursing scholarships by the Kings County division of the American Legion. At a formal ceremony on Thursday, April 26, Mrs. Kennedy, American Legion Scholarship chairman, presented each of the three Brendanites and four other girls from Erasmus, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and Stella Maris, with a Scholarship Medal. Parents and relatives of the winners as well as delegates from the various American Legion posts attended the presentation.

To qualify for this \$200 award the applicants were required to write an original essay outlining their reasons for wanting to enter the nursing profession. In addition, a transcript of their school record and four letters of recommendation were requested.

Mary, Gail, and Anne have all chosen to apply their awards towards the tuition at Saint Vincent's Hospital.

Anne concluded her essay with an excerpt from the nurses' pledge which in essence summarizes the sentiments of all three girls:

*"To be a nurse, Oh, precious trust,
That time won't change, nor moth,
nor rust."*

Prophecies

A ring of spies has been furtively careening the senior halls in search of clues which may help to solve the Mystery of the Future. They have come up with these predictions:

POLITICAL SCENE:

The first one hundred days of liberal radicalism in the White House under the administration of Joann Doody find . . . great strides backward. . . Ambassador Doris Fitzpatrick causes severance of diplomatic relations with France. Could she have used the tu form? . . . Representative Ann Intorcica states, "There will be no war—'with just a little bit of luck'." . . . Russian Secret Service baffled by new espionage techniques called witticks introduced by the new "Leader" of the CIA, Mary Ann McDermott. . . Social amenities disregarded when United Nations delegate Marie Kahwaty answered Khrushchev's queries with "Bah" while attending Caroline Cassner's champagne party. . . New cabinet post created. Leslie Souky appointed Secretary of Charm. . . Flash! Senator Anne Wennerholm broke her previous filibuster record.

THE PROFESSIONS:

New inroads into treatment of mentally disturbed—Dr. Karen Sikorsky's patients examine her. . . French airliner lands atop the Empire State Building thanks to interpreter Mary Wittels' directions. . . Madison Avenue stymied by latest batch of posters from pallet of Rosemary Kelly. (Has modern art gone too far?) . . . Lorraine Lawless promoted to head secretary of Salco. . . Renowned brain surgeon Joanne Bletko makes brilliant discovery—a chemical which, when swallowed, will enable a student to retain an extraordinary amount of information.

THEATRICAL SCENE:

Mary McNamara awarded special Tony statuette for her enduring portrayal of Lincoln in long running (ten years) hit, "How to Start a War Without Really Trying." . . . New dance team Leonagrinn and Bill, featuring Leona Zembricki and company, captivates audiences at Copa Cabana. . . After many disappointments, Aldine Cooper finally makes her debut as Sophia in the new Broadway musical, "The Sound of the Third Row During English Class." . . .

THE SPORTS WORLD:

International tennis champion, Rough Roie O'Spin, revolutionizes tennis world by introducing new rules. . . Angie Montevago takes first place in national contest for Water Boy of the Year. Her prize—a year's supply of empty buckets.

Seniors Initiate Class Banquet

A new senior tradition which will supplant Class Night, the senior banquet, was inaugurated Thursday, June 7, at the Hamilton House on Ocean and Vorkies Avenues in Brooklyn. Reservations for 7:30 that night had been made for the senior class, as well as Sister John Berchmans, Sister Catherine Alonzo, Sister Francis Elizabeth, and the six senior official teachers who had been invited to participate in the evening's festivities.

After-dinner entertainment was provided by the seniors themselves who prepared skits and songs for the occasion. In order to facilitate the performance of these skits and the reading of the Last Will and Testament, the banquet room was equipped with a microphone and piano.

Two hundred one of the seniors attended the banquet which was one of the last social events of senior year.

Alumnae News

Four hundred alumnae of St. Brendan's attended a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria, Saturday, May 12. Present at this alumnae gathering were eleven members of the first graduating class. Special guests included Monsignor Downing, former pastor of St. Brendan's parish, Sister Anna Letitia, principal of the high school from 1954 to 1960, and Sister John Berchmans.

At present plans are being formulated for a reunion of the religious alumnae next fall.

Rita Reilly, editor of *Stella* in 1960, and presently a sophomore at St. Joseph's College for Women, has been elected the Executive Vice

president of the New York-New Jersey Region of the National Federation of Catholic College Students.

Mary Noberini, co-editor of the *Anchor* in 1960, was recently named editor of St. Joseph's 1963 Yearbook, *Footprints*.

Adele Tozzi ('60), an active member of the lay apostolate, will spend her summer vacation working in the slum areas of Mexico on the Yale-Maryknoll program.

Wedding bells are ringing for Barbara Carfora, editor of *Stella* in 1959, and Midshipman Robert De Marco; for Eileen Justin ('59) and Paul Lupone; for Roberta Vasquez ('60) and Richard Pecoraro.

A Note of Thanks From Us to You

The Senior Stella members wish to offer this note of thanks to the faculty and student body for their active interest in the school newspaper and wholehearted cooperation in the Miss Brendy contest. To the Stella moderator Sister Thomas Miriam, we also extend our thanks for the perseverance with which she suffered through a year of miscounted headlines and late deadlines. To the Junior Stella members we wish much success in forthcoming issues.

Science Courses Offered To Juniors by Columbia

Some enterprising students will have the opportunity this summer and next fall to enroll in several scientific and mathematical courses offered by Columbia University.

Two Summer Computer Workshops will offer instruction in the programming of the IBM 650 and the 1620 automatic digital computers. Each three week course is scheduled for the months of July and August.

The workshops will be followed by a Science Honor Program conducted by the School of Engineering and Applied Science of Columbia University. The course of study includes such fields as the physical, chemical, and biological sciences, astrophysics, population genetics, anthropology, and rocketry.

Play Review

"A Man For All Seasons" from the pen of one of England's newer playwrights, Robert Bolt, has introduced a fresh subject to Broadway. It is the life of Saint Thomas More, brilliantly portrayed by Paul Scofield. Saint Thomas was a pivot of English life when England was rounding the sharpest corner of her spiritual history. He seems to have had no petty enemies; only great and fatal ones.

Notable portrayals of the Duke of Norfolk and King Henry VII are given by Albert Dekker and Keith Baxter. The acting is so powerful that with each curtain call, it seems as if the audience is actually applauding the courage of Thomas More. It is encouraging to note that Broadway has made a success of a religious theme.

"A Man For All Seasons" has received rave reviews from every paper and has been given the Drama Critics and Toni Awards.

The title itself has an interesting origin. It is taken from a passage composed by Robert Whittington for Tudor schoolboys to put into Latin. "More is a man of an angel's wit and singular learning. A man of marvelous mirth and pastimes; and sometimes of as sad a gravity; a man for all seasons."

There is no doubt that such strong principles and religious heroism is sure to keep it a play for all seasons.

Admission to these courses will depend upon a qualifying examination administered during May and June. The recommendations of guidance counsellors and mathematics and science teachers will also be a deciding factor. Sylvia Guglielmelli, Kathy Kennedy, Theresa Suppa, Catherine Fitzgerald, Margaret Whelan, and Kathleen Hamill have been selected to take the first of these screening examinations.

Bowlers Cap Prizes In Final Tournament

Bowling Club activities have concluded for the season with the Annual Tournament. The winning team for Monday is "Pentadade" with members Jane Hogan, Kathleen Hulbert, Mary Smith, Pat O'Neill, Margaret Herman and Elizabeth Caponiti. The "Mello-Queens" are also victors. On this team are Lynn Taylor, Barbara Accardi, Theresa Suppa, Connie Buccellata, Josephine DeMaleo and Ann Koster. Tuesday's Winners are the "Cloddy Maladys" with Jane Casey, Linda Parente, Claire Strozak and Irene O'Brien.

Victorious for Wednesday are "The Four Browns" with Pat Cippola, Mary Maloney, Kathy Kennedy and Adrienne Morano. Friday's victors are "The Original Alley Oops" with Kathy Ryan, Cathy Perrotti, Elaine Manno, Diane Reccio and Valerie Valcich.



Geneveive Zeh is ready for a quick start in one of the Sports Day contests.

Sports Day at Brentwood Hailed As Great Success

Leaving St. Brendan's at eight o'clock on May 12, twelve busses of laughing, excited girls set out to participate in Sports Day. This annual event, instituted to raise funds for the new Juniorate, once more transformed Brentwood into an athletic field, fully equipped for the basketball and volleyball games scheduled. Participants, including students from the high schools taught by the Sisters of St. Joseph, arrived between ten and eleven.

After being formally welcomed by Angela Montevago in the Academy Gymnasium, where a prayer of thanksgiving for the fine weather was offered, the girls began the organized activities. The day was spent displaying team skills and spirits on the outdoor volleyball courts and enjoying the swings and other playground facilities. At 12:30, students crowded into the gym to cheer on their varsities in competition with the other visiting teams. Cheerleaders, in full swing, shouted for victory and led the crowd in their cheers. Outdoors, during the basketball tournament, other students actively participated in the square dancing program.

A visit with the young postulants and novices, studying at the Novitiate was a special treat for many of the girls, and appropriately completed the day's activities. Busses then departed for home filled with our girls—exhausted but still laughing.

Forensic Coach Instructs Classes

"When you are freed from the restrictions of school work, the real fun of education should start." This belief explains why John Sexton, Forensic League Coach, will devote this summer to instructing members of the Junior scholarship class.

John's aim is to give each girl a real enthusiasm for learning new ideas and train her in using these concepts in forming intelligent, independent opinions.

Saturday "classes" will be held at St. Brendan's. Color slides will supplement lectures on the history of music and art from 20,000 B.C. to the present. Current events and politics will be discussed with particular emphasis to the relative values of "liberalism" and "conservatism." Finally, John will explain English, American, and World Literature using examples from Shakespeare and Ibsen. Mimeographed notes, prepared with the assistance of Mr. Charlie Winnans (an English teacher at Brooklyn Prep who influenced the planning of the scholarship class) will summarize these topics.

"Assignments" will consist of week-day outings to the libraries, museums, parks, and theatres of New York and informal conversations about people, books, and ideas. The girls will periodically invade the Metropolitan and Modern Art Museums, off-Broadway theatres, and attempt to climb Bear Mountain.

French Dep't Reaps Honors in Iona Contest

In view of the current emphasis on proficiency in foreign languages, our French department has encouraged the students to broaden their French "savez". A program of contests and the use of visual and oral aids has been included as part of the curriculum of the French department.

On April 11, seniors and juniors from St. Brendan's participated in a French contest at Iona College in New Rochelle. Competing with students from other New York City schools, the girls were required to write a French composition. The topic for the Seniors' essay was "Someone I Would Like To Meet," and that of the Juniors was "A Job I'd Like to Have." By combining their knowledge of French with their talent for writing, five girls from our school received certificates of recommendation. They are: Barbara Fink (201) and Mary Wittels (102), both seniors; and Marie Di Fusco (302), Adrienne Morano (203), and Kathy Reiman (202), Juniors.

The French Club recently donated a series of illustrated books to the school library. This gift includes a French tale, "Quatre Filles Sur Un Mur" and a collection of six books, "Collection Litteraire." Each volume of this set deals with a different period in French literature ranging from the Middle Ages to the Twentieth Century.

Margaret Conner, Pat Cilea and Maria Zullo were elected President, Secretary, and Treasurer, respectively, of the French Club for the scholastic year of 1962-63.



Sister Edward Marguerite directs Freshmen in Catholic Action work.

Commercial Students Help Bishop In Diocesan High School Campaign

A zeal for Catholic Action has been realized at St. Brendan's during the past two months. Under Sister Edward Marguerite's supervision, the senior commercial students and the freshman of 301 have helped to save the Diocese of Brooklyn, time, energy, and considerable financial expenditures.

During class, the seniors type a form to be sent to donors of the Diocesan High School Campaign. The freshmen fold these outlines,

together with a letter explaining the form, and an envelope. They insert these in a business envelope which they stamp and mail. By working on an efficient assembly line, the girls have completed the letters for Bishop Kearney, Bishop Reilly, Mater Christi, and Christ the King High Schools. By June 1, they will have completed 140,000 letters for Nazareth and Bishop Ford High Schools.

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Ring Ding, Ring Ding, wish we had a Ring Ding. Gee, too bad we don't but we have some other tid-bits . . .

Lost one library! Anyone who finds it report to 403. . . . You can have a bite of the apple, but leave the finger. . . . When bringing sauerkraut to school, bring it in a firm container. . . . Don't worry, 409 girls are not stupid, they're just frustrated. . . . Who is the non-conformist who took a motorboat across the lake? . . . First exhibit in 401's Museum of Natural? is carefully mounted locks of hair. . . . Famous last words: "It never rains in Canadaigua." Which do you prefer, Pepsi or olive juice? "Knock, Knock, It's Detective Smith." . . . Look up in the sky! It's a bird, it's a plane; no, it's a flying buttress! . . . Someone in 306 is related to a globe. . . . What Latin teacher has so inspired her students that they compose songs to her? . . . Anyone who finds a half-dissected frog please report to 404. . . . A startling contrast—a black spider against a white bib! . . . Who French-fried the convent? . . . And a big Yogi Bear hug to Angie! . . . Paging Dr. Kildare for room 301. . . . Lan fo pebi rubananas. . . . Don't be a mediocre class, be topioca. . . . Confidentially, those motorcycles are following us, they're on all sides, they're chasing us. . . . 310 claims a singular mascot, a mouse. . . . All aboard for that wild roller coaster at Brentwood. . . . 402 is setting up a hairdressing salon during study period. . . . 402 wants to know—What really happened in Boston? . . . What World History teacher is receiving messages through the walls? . . . 203 is starting a rowing club—fine, but during music? . . . Pity that poor squashed worm. . . . Ring Ding, Ring Ding, wish we had another Ring Ding. Well, you'll just have to wait till next September!

Girls Merit Awards For Ability In Art

Members of the Art Department have achieved recognition for their outstanding ability.

Ann Marie Caliendo was awarded first prize in the C.Y.O. competition for her entry. Elaine Manna's oil painting and Mary Lou Fecci's water color also merited honorable mention. Mary Lou's technique attracted one of the judges, who purchased the landscape. This is the highest praise which can be given to a budding artist.

The girls, whose posters were selected for the Diocesan Vocation Poster competition, were N. Manno, E. Manna, M. Fecci, V. Mauro, M. Consiglio, and M. Barry.

In an annual Slogan Poster Contest sponsored by St. Joseph College, Emmitsburg, Maryland, Mary Ellen McCabe received fourth place. Her prize was a travel bag by Air France.

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Martin, Page Win In Essay Contest

Evelyn Martin of 201 and Kathy Page of 102 copped the second and third places, respectively, in an essay contest sponsored by the American Medical Association. As their awards, Evelyn received \$35 while Kathy was given \$25. By winning in this district competition, they have qualified to compete on the state level.

In order to enter this contest, competitors were required to write an essay of no more than fifteen hundred words on either "The Advantages of Private Medical Care" or "The Advantages of The American Free Enterprise System over Communism," and to submit the essay to the Kings County office by March 15. Both girls chose "The Advantages of Private Medical Care" as their topics.

Two other girls from St. Brendan's were awarded certificates of Honorary Testimonial. Rosemarie Spinelli, 101, wrote her paper on "The Advantages of The American Free Enterprise System Over Communism" and Camille Schripa, 102, expounded the same subject.



Students Honor Mary With Traditional May Crowning

In accordance with the tradition of the school, St. Brendan's girls assembled Friday, May 11, for their annual May Crowning. All the girls wore pastel dresses, accentuated by floral wreaths.

After High Mass offered by Father Blauvelt, Kathy Reynolds (102), a member of the Legion of Mary, crowned our Queen of May. Acting as crown bearer and attendant, were two other Legion girls, Carol Ann Bardi (102) and Rosemarie Spinelli

(101).

Father Blauvelt, substituting for Right Reverend Monsignor Egan, delivered a moving sermon which emphasized the humanity of Mary. He pointed out that if Mary were attending St. Brendan's today, she would be the model of Christian perfection.

The Glee Club sang the Mass of St. Francis de Sales and the services terminated with a hymn to Our Blessed Lady.

Increase Your Wardrobe By Sewing This Summer

Endlessly stretching before you like a cool and inviting path lie ten weeks of carefree leisure. Through your imagination filter sun-filled days spent in pleasant languor at the beach, and rain filled days spent languishing—nothing to do. This summer, instead of wasting those rainy days, why not try something different? With a free hour or two, a pattern, a few yards of material and a helpful friend or mother, you can sew a "Me, Original."

With a wise selection of a pattern in a style flattering to you, and a suitable material anyone can sew by following the simple directions that come with each pattern. And in this way, you can amass a large wardrobe for a small price and most important, own clothes that are distinctly different from those of your friends.

If you've never sewed before, try a beach coat as a beginning. Simplicity—even the name is encouraging!—features a simple shift made from two main pieces for beach wear in pattern 4441. Try it in a colorful Hawaiian print or, for fun, a batik print. For your first try, however, don't use an expensive material or a plaid which will be hard to match. Or, if this style isn't appealing, consider pattern 4512, a yoked beach coat gathered and flared beneath the yoke. Pattern 4429, a sleeveless basic sheath, can be sewn in many colors

and fabrics and worn day or evening—a completely versatile dress. These three styles are labelled simple to make. For a two-piece dress especially suited to a crisp linen material, pattern 4296, featuring the double-breasted look, is good.

Illustrated are only four of hundreds of patterns available to you. You can find or, with a touch of imagination, create anything you desire from bathing suits to evening gowns. Try it, and soon you will hear yourself replying to your friends, "Thank you. I made it!"

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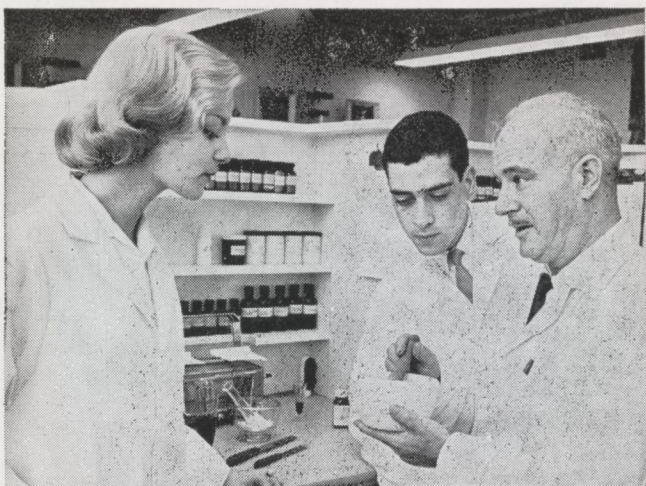
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